

Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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Indiana State Excise Police arrest 15 at party at 2609 W. Indiana St.

Evansville - On October 16, 2009, Officers from the Indiana State Excise Police, assisted by Officers from Evansville Police Department and Troopers from the Indiana State Police, conducted an enforcement initiative at 2609 W. Indiana St. in Evansville, IN.

ISEP Officers received information that a party was taking place at the address and investigated this complaint. Two minors were arrested leaving this party and Officers then received information regarding additional subjects inside the residence as well as information pertaining to how they obtained their alcoholic beverages.

The residents of this house refused to open the door to speak with officers. Subsequently, a search warrant for the address was obtained and Officers from ISEP, EPD and ISP entered the residence and secured the subjects hiding inside. Two subjects were located hiding in a basement crawlspace and the rest were hidden elsewhere in the home. A total of 8 minors and 2 juveniles were removed from the residence at this time. Three adults were also taken into custody at this time. Evidence of drug use was also observed inside this residence.

Fifteen (15) subjects from this incident face charges ranging from Contributing to the Delinquency of Minors, Furnishing Alcoholic Beverages to a Minor, Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by a Minor. Five (5) of these subjects were incarcerated into the Vanderburgh County Jail.

The Indiana State Excise Police continually receive and investigate complaints related to underage drinking. With the Holiday season approaching, we encourage parents to monitor their children's activities to keep them safe and lawful. This enforcement initiative was conducted as part of a state-wide grant called SUDS (Stop Underaged Drinking & Sales).